## Board of Directors Meeting May 15, 2008 Eco Living Center Rutenberg Park, Ft. Myers

## Chair: VP Carol Newcomb Jones;

attending: Dan T and V, Gerri, Fran, Pete. David in Brazil, Maria working, Gene has medical problem.

Welcome: good coffee by Fran and great cookies complements of the Pres., Maria. Business meeting: called to order 6:10 Minutes: May minutes approval as posted to website.

**Membership:** Paid membership at record high. New membership card design approved. Will distribute to existing members with next Flyways. Will number according to length of participation in chapter. ie longest continuous member will get card ASWF 0001 etc. Still waiting on additional bonus offers.

**Treasurer's report:** . treasurer not present. Studying Quick Books

**Education programs:** chair not present no report. Have preliminary interest from engineering student in FGCU grant.

**Conservation report:** Lee signed strong fertilizer ordinance, RPC approved septic system control program, ASWF supported continued WMD landscape watering restrictions.

Moved and approved that Conservation committee can sign-on to letters with 3 positive votes if 4th member unresponsive. Negative vote requires issue be referred to BOD.

Need representative for AudubonSWFL for Spreader Canal discussions - VP Miller? **Field trips:** Good trip to Little Estero Island. 2008 schedule taking shape. **Programs/festivals:** 

Earth Day 2008 Koreshan well attended. Relationship with Bill Cox Photos positive and productive. Next year at Babcock or Calusa Creeks?. Discussed Sierra Club issues

Eco -B'fast Oct. 23rd, Cynthia Barnett, appeal for sponsorship email sent and several checks received. PQ/RaeAnn for SWFCEE to coordinate.

Display gear in PQ's storeroom. Dan V has access .

June 19th Program - John Cassani on "Where have all the frogs gone?"

Web report:

Almost 2000 hits a month. Suggestions for tweaks welcomed

Eco Voice report - membership approaching 140

Still talking about getting shirt sales O'keef website

New secure credit card form posted and operational

Calendar posts -suggestions to Mari via info@AudubonSWFL.org

**PR/Flyways:** 

Audubon SWFL logo'd shirts available for \$30, hoodies for \$35. contact PQ.

Next Flyways: Aug – scholarship/education focus, promote ecob'fast with Barnett

Program announcement in Sunday News-press. Dan distributed flyer prepared by Ginny.

New Business: none

Adjourn: 7:05

Program 7 PM: Butterflies of SW Florida

- Good program by horticulturist at Edison Museum and president of local chapter of North American Butterfly Association.